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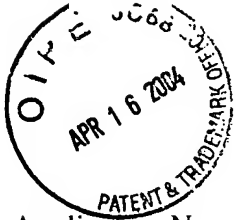
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Dear Sir or Madam:

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Part I (Authority)

This statement is filed pursuant to:

(X) 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b).

This information disclosure statement is filed either (1) within three months of the filing date of the national applications; (2) within three months of the date of entry of the national stage as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.491 in an international application; or (3) before the mailing date of a first office action on the merits, whichever event occurs last.

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() 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c).

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Conditional Petition

It is respectfully requested that this information disclosure statement be considered, good cause being presented in Part III herein (certification). please treat this paper as the required petition.

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e), I certify:

- ☒ (X) No statement is necessary.
- ☒ (X) (1) Each item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the statement.
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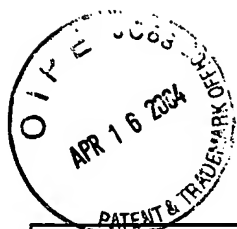
Copies of the International Search Report (X) are enclosed, () are of record in parent application Serial No. _____ and will be provided if the Examiner deems it convenient.

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